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1. a. The refinery works three shifts which cover 24 hours, in which time between 36 and 40 large tank cars of jet fuel, light gasoline, and heavy gasoline (leicht und schwer Benzine) are processed. 25X1
- b. The weekly production of jet fuel is never larger than forty large tank cars.
- c. Production varies a good deal, and is fixed purely by demand.
- d. The quality of the product is often criticized, and quite often jet fuel is returned to the refinery as unusable.
2. a. The production target for 1954 was not achieved, through a culmination of factors of scarcity of coal and failure of the turbo-generators to produce enough power.
- b. The turbo-generator sets have been fitted with new turbines which should operate at a speed of 5000 rpm, but in order to maintain a sufficient head of power, are often called upon to operate at 8000 rpm.
- c. Work in the refinery is hampered to a great extent by lack of spare parts for machinery.
3. a. The factory has no tank cars of its own. These must be requested from the Reichsbahn.
- b. Distribution by road does not take place; trains of tank cars are made up at Ruhland.
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